AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A <u>transmission</u> device enabling different spreading factors while preserving a common scrambling code for transmission in a code division multiple access cellular mobile radio system, the device comprising, on transmission;:

spreading means for spreading blocks of symbols with the different spreading factors; and

scrambling means for applying a scrambling code of length Q_{MAX} which is a multiple of said different spreading factors, to blocks of Q_{MAX} basic symbols obtained by spreading by means of with any of said spreading factors.

2. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim-1, including, on transmission, for spreading A transmission device enabling different spreading factors while preserving a common scrambling code for transmission in a code division multiple access cellular mobile radio system, the transmission device spreading K incoming sequences by means of K respective spreading codes of respective length Q_k (k=1, ..., K) which is a sub-multiple of a maximum length Q_{MAX} , and scrambling the spread sequences obtained in this way, the transmission device comprising:

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grouping means for grouping the various data symbols of the \underline{a} kth incoming sequence (k=1,...,K) into different blocks of Q_{MAX}/Q_k symbols[[,]]; and

spreading means for spreading the different blocks from the kth incoming sequence (k=1, ..., K) by means of the corresponding spreading code of length Q_k to obtain a spread sequence including different spread blocks of length Q_{MAX} ,

scrambling means for scrambling each of the K spread sequences obtained in this way using generated by the spreading means by applying a scrambling code of length Q_{MAX} which is a multiple of the spreading codes.

3. (Currently Amended) A <u>reception</u> device enabling different spreading factors while preserving a common scrambling code for transmission in a code division multiple access cellular mobile radio system, the device comprising, on reception,:

descrambling means for applying a scrambling code of length Q_{MAX} which is a multiple of said different spreading factors, to <u>spread</u> blocks of Q_{MAX} basic symbols obtained by spreading <u>by means of with</u> any of said spreading factors; <u>and</u>

despreading means for despreading with said spreading factors said blocks of Q_{MAX} basic symbols descrambled by said descrambling means.

4. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 3 A reception device enabling different spreading factors while preserving a common scrambling code for transmission in a

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code division multiple access cellular mobile radio system, including, on reception, for the reception device descrambling and despreading an incoming sequence by means of K respective spreading codes of respective length Q_k (k=1, ..., K) which is a sub-multiple of a maximum length Q_{MAX} , the reception device comprising:

descrambling means for descrambling said incoming sequence of spread blocks of Q_{MAX} basic symbols obtained by spreading with the spreading codes using a scrambling code of length Q_{MAX} which is a multiple of the spreading codes[[,]];

grouping means for grouping the basic symbols of the spread and descrambled sequence obtained in this way in different spread blocks of length $Q_{MAX}[[,]]$; and

despreading means for despreading the spread blocks obtained in this way by means of with the K respective spreading codes to obtain K despread sequences formed of different blocks of Q_{MAX}/Q_{K} symbols (k=1, ...K).

- 5. (Original) A mobile station for a mobile radiocommunication system, comprising a device according to claim 1.
- 6. (Currently Amended) An entity, in particular A base transceiver station[[,]] for a mobile radiocommunication system, comprising a device according to claim 1.

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- 7. (New) A mobile station for a mobile radiocommunication system, comprising a device according to claim 2.
- 8. (New) A base transceiver station for a mobile radiocommunication system, comprising a device according to claim 2.

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- 9. (New) A mobile station for a mobile radiocommunication system, comprising a device according to claim 4.
- 10. (New) A base transceiver station for a mobile radiocommunication system, comprising a device according to claim 4.